

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Original) A method of preventing the transfer of a textile dye from one dyed fabric to another fabric in the case of washing and/or rinsing a plurality of fabrics including dyed fabric together in a washing liquor, wherein a rice peroxidase acts on the washing liquor in the presence of hydrogen peroxide.

2. (Original) A method of bleaching a textile dye in a solution or a dispersion solution, wherein a rice peroxidase acts on the solution or dispersion solution in the presence of hydrogen peroxide.

3. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the rice peroxidase is a heat-resistant rice peroxidase.

4. (Currently Amended) The method according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein the rice ~~rice~~ peroxidase is a rice hull peroxidase.

5. (Currently Amended) The method according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, wherein the hydrogen peroxide is supplied by at least one means of a hydrogen peroxide precursor, a combined system of a hydrogen peroxide precursor and of a bleaching activator which can generate hydrogen peroxide by acting on the

hydrogen peroxide precursor, and an enzyme system which can generate hydrogen peroxide.

6. (Original) The method according to claim 5, wherein the hydrogen peroxide precursor is perborate or percarbonate.

7. (Currently Amended) The method according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 6~~ claim 1, which is carried out in the presence of an activator.

8. (Currently Amended) The method according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 7~~ claim 1, which is carried out in the presence of a surfactant.

9. (Currently Amended) The method according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 8~~ claim 1, wherein the textile dye is a synthetic dye, a natural dye, a natural-equivalent dye or a reactive dye.

10. (Canceled)

11. ~~[[The]]~~ A composition comprising rice peroxidase ~~according to claim 10~~, which is a detergent composition or a bleaching composition.

12. (Currently Amended) The composition according to claim ~~10~~ or 11, which comprises at least one of hydrogen peroxide, one or more kinds of hydrogen peroxide precursors, and one or more kinds of enzyme systems which can generate hydrogen peroxide.

13. (Original) A composition which comprises a rice peroxidase, a hydrogen peroxide precursor, and one or more kinds of bleaching activators which can generate hydrogen peroxide by acting on the hydrogen peroxide precursor.

14. (Currently Amended) The composition according to ~~any one of claims 10 to 13~~ claim 13, which comprises one or more kinds of the surfactants and one or more kinds of the activators together.

15. (New) The method according to claim 2, wherein the rice peroxidase is a heat-resistant rice peroxidase.

16. (New) The method according to claim 2, wherein the rice peroxidase is a rice hull peroxidase.

17. (New) The method according to claim 2, wherein the hydrogen peroxide is supplied by at least one means of a hydrogen peroxide precursor, a combined system of a hydrogen peroxide precursor and of a bleaching activator which can generate hydrogen peroxide by acting on the hydrogen peroxide precursor, and an enzyme system which can generate hydrogen peroxide.

18. (New) The method according to claim 17, wherein the hydrogen peroxide precursor is perborate or percarbonate.

19. (New) The method according to claim 2, which is carried out in the presence of an activator.

20. (New) The method according to claim 2, which is carried out in the presence of a surfactant.

21. (New) The method according to claim 2, wherein the textile dye is a synthetic dye, a natural dye, a natural-equivalent dye or a reactive dye.